THE UNDENIABLE LAWS OF LIFE - The Law of Creativity

"Every advance in human life begins with an idea in the mind of a single person." God created man in His own image [Genesis 1:27], and I believe this included His creativity. The ancient Hebrew word "created" also suggests an artistic form similar to sculpturing. Therefore, God created man by bringing him into existence and also by fashioning him out of existing matter. Note, these are the two most important elements of creativity. The first is what was in the mind and heart of God, and the second is the Master craftsman at work.

What is in your mind and in your heart can bring about the fulfilment of a dream, but it takes some "fashioning" (working with what you have) to produce success. You were designed to be the perfect expression and complete representation of Jesus Christ. And Jesus is, "The image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him" [Colossians 1:15, 16]. Notice, all things were created "by", "through" and "for" Jesus! He is the inspiration, the vessel and the object of all creativity. When you have the "mind" of Christ [1 Cor. 2:16], you are in fact embracing His creativity - His ideas.

It is the ideas you generate, more than anything else, that will enable you to solve problems, overcome setbacks, and achieve your goals. Ideas are the keys to your future. It is not possible for you to achieve anything of value except to the degree to which you think creatively and do something new and different. Thinking outside the box is a total necessity.

All it takes is a small innovation to lay the foundation for success or launch you toward your goal. Note, this does not mean that you must all become inventors. Innovations are fresh ideas or new methods that bring about change. Here is a valuable piece of revelation for you. Most people never change because there is no creative process through which change can be brought about. *Lack of creativity = lack of change!*

If God is a limitless God - which He is - then your ability to generate constructive ideas is, to all intents and purposes, unlimited. Therefore, your potential must be unlimited as well. So you have no excuse for any lack of constructive ideas.

Ideas are a mode of transportation, a vehicle that you can use to take you from wherever you are to wherever you want to go. Your duty is to generate as many ideas as possible, evaluate them carefully (against the word of God and your own personal gaols), and then take action on them. The greater the quantity of ideas you develop, the greater will be the quality of the ideas you have available to you. So don't get possessive about your one little idea, but rather, give birth to many ideas and action the one you need to apply right now.

There is virtually no obstacle in life that you cannot overcome with the power of creative thought [having the mind of Christ]. And remember, whatever your mind can conceive, and <u>believe</u>, it can achieve. God designed your mind in such a way that you cannot have a viable idea on the one hand without having the ability to bring that idea into reality on the other. Provided you have faith [you believe], nothing is impossible! The very existence of an idea in your conscious mind means that you have within you the capacity to turn it into reality. The only question you have to ask yourself is this, "How badly do I want it?"

Look around, everything you see is a result of what was originally an idea in the mind of a single person. Our entire man-made world is the result of thought brought into reality. The only defining factor is the source of inspiration of each thought or idea. Not all ideas in the minds of men are inspired by God, and some that were inspired by God have become perverted.

Imagination rules the world. But a word of caution, God brings judgement on any monument to human effort that is birthed in pride. The Tower of Babel is a good example of this [Genesis 11:1-9]. The people wanted to make a name for themselves by building a city, with a tower that reaches the heavens. And the scripture reads "Nothing they imagine to do will be impossible to them." But God's judgement came down and scattered them across the whole earth. Don't let your dreams become scattered by God's righteous judgement. Make sure that what you are imagining is a means by which you can glorify Him [and not self]. The Creator must be glorified by every "act of creation" brought about by the hands of His creation (mankind). That is, only what we create under the inspiration of His Holy Spirit.

Someone once said, "Imagination is more important than facts." You will find countless occasions in your life where the facts say one thing but your ideas and creative ability have enabled you to do something completely different. This is the invisible God making invisible things manifest. "While we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal" [1 Corinthians 4:18]. Gazing at the facts is seeing temporary things. But looking through the eyes of faith is seeing established things. Your imagination has the power to show you the unseen mysteries of God, whereby lies your future.

An idea or an insight at a critical moment can be the turning point in your life. All great changes in human life and destiny begin with a God idea that enables you to see things differently. And thereafter, to take an action that you would not have taken in the absence of that idea.

Whatever you are, whatever you are doing, whatever your situation, you have the creative ability and capacity (in the form of infinite ideas), to solve any problem and achieve any goal. God has given you no limits in this respect. The only limits you have are those which you impose on yourself through limiting your imagination.

Why not take the lid off, and let your mind go where it's never gone before? You'll be amazed at the amount of constructive ideas you come up with!

Here's how you can apply the Law of Creativity right now:

Select any goal or problem you have and write it down in the form of a question. Then write 20 answers to the question underneath, in the present tense (as though you were doing them already].

For example, you could write, "What can I do to substantially improve my financial situation over the next two years?" You would then answer things like, "I came to work one hour early every day this week." "I've been majoring on my strengths and managing around my weakness." "I am investing my time and effort into developing new skills." "I have been serving my boss better, and my relationship with him has improved." "I save 10% of all my income after I have given my tithe to God." "I have systematically started paying off my credit cards."